

Section 401 Water Quality Certification Public Notices

The Central Coast Water Board is currently reviewing applications for the following project for certification under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act. We encourage public comments on the proposed work, which will be considered in the decision. You may submit comments in writing on any of these projects to:

Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board
895 Aerovista Place, Suite 101
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401
Attention: 401 Coordinator

Project Applicant	Monterey County Water Resources Agency
Applicant's Agent	N/A
Project Name	Salinas River Channel Maintenance Program
Receiving Water	Salinas River
City/County	Salinas/Monterey
Public Notice	July 21, 2009 – August 11, 2009
Project Description	<p>The purpose of this project is to continue to maintain the capacity of the Salinas River in order to reduce the potential for flooding during the upcoming wet season.</p> <p>The project activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide channel flow capacity, set at 30,000 cubic-feet per second (cfs) (the 8-year recurrence flow) for the constrained reach and 77,000 cfs (25-year recurrence flow) for the unconstrained reach, to protect against flooding and damage to adjacent agricultural lands, nearby residences, and public infrastructure and services;• Provide for enhancement of the low-flow channel in a manner that would sustain suitable flow depths during upstream and downstream migration for threatened steelhead of the South Central California Coast (S-CCC) steelhead Distinct Population Segment (DPS) and other aquatic resources;• Provide protection for other sensitive species (i.e., California red-legged frog and least Bell's vireo) and aquatic species by retaining suitable riparian habitat along the Salinas River;• Utilize protocols that minimize potential impacts to water quality and degradation of the sediment transport process in the river;• Encourage participants to consider more permanent bank stabilization actions where appropriate to minimize the necessary extent of in stream channel maintenance work. <p>Monterey County Water Resources Agency filed a Mitigated Negative Declaration.</p>

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